
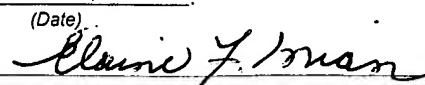


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| <b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b><br><b>(Small Entity)</b>  |                          |                               |  |                        | Docket No.<br>902.0129.U1(US) |  |
| In Re Application of Afzal et al.   |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| Application No.<br>10/678,694   | Filing Date<br>10/3/2003 | Examiner<br>Menefee, James A. | Customer No.<br>29683  | Group Art Unit<br>2828 | Confirmation No.<br>9957      |  |
| Invention: Monolithic, Side-Pumped, Passively Q-Switched Solid-State Laser  |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| <b><u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></b>   |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>7/29/2004</u> in the above-identified application.<br><div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Date</div>   |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):<br><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"><div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month</div><div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Two months</div><div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Three months</div><div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Four months</div><div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Five months</div></div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start; margin-top: 5px;"><div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"><div style="width: 30%;">from:</div><div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; width: 100%; text-align: center;">10/29/2004</div><div style="width: 30%; text-align: center;">Date</div></div><div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"><div style="width: 30%;">until:</div><div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; width: 100%; text-align: center;">11/29/2004</div><div style="width: 30%; text-align: center;">Date</div></div></div> |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27   |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| The fee for the extension of time is \$55 and is to be paid as follows:   |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.   |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1924   |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-1924  |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.   |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| <b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b>   |                          |                               |  |                        |                               |  |
| <br><div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Signature</div>   |                          |                               | Dated: November 29, 2004   |                        |                               |  |
| Scott L. Appelbaum (41,587)<br>Harrington & Smith, LLP<br>4 Research Drive<br>Shelton, CT 06484-6212  |                          |                               | <div style="font-size: x-small; padding: 5px;">I certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" [37 CFR 1.8(a)] on<br/>November 29, 2004<br/><div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Date)</div><div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</div><div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Elaine F. Mian</div><div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</div></div> |                        |                               |  |

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